

BUCKELEW JOSEPH
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BUCKELEW JOSEPH

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
COMMERCE BANCORP INC /NJ/
[CBH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President of Subsidiary

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O COMMERCE BANK
SHORE, 1101 HOOPER STREET,
CN 2050

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/20/2005

TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	09/20/2005		C	18,956 A	640,582	D	
Common Stock					17,447	I	401(k)
Common Stock					6,744	I	ESOP Allocation
Common Stock					316,976	I	By Wife
					9,556	I	

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
5.95% Conv Trust Pref Sec of Comm Cap Trust II	<u>(1)</u>	09/20/2005		C	10,000	<u>(1)</u> 03/11/2032	Common Stock	18,956

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BUCKELEW JOSEPH C/O COMMERCE BANK SHORE 1101 HOOPER STREET, CN 2050 TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754	X		President of Subsidiary	

Signatures

Joseph Buckelew 09/22/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) On August 15, 2005, the Company announced the redemption of its publicly traded 5.95% Convertible Trust Preferred Securities issued by Commerce Capital Trust II on May 11, 2002. Pursuant to the terms of the Indenture, each Convertible Trust Preferred Security was converted into 1.8956 shares of Commerce Bancorp, Inc. common stock (equal to a conversion price of approximately \$26.38).

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